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Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest (Revocation of Prior Powers), Change of Attorney's/Agent's Address in Application and Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b).

Copy of Assignment from inventors to Corken, Inc.

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Corken, Inc. states that it is the Assignee of Entire Interest in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of an Assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. A copy of the Assignment is attached and/or was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel , Frame . The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the Assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

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WHEREAS, I/we, Michael F. Hughes of 420 N. W. 44<sup>th</sup> Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 8118, Paul J. Lutes of 2301 Powderhorn, Edmond, Oklahoma 73034 and Stephen Seymour of 3921 Shandon Way, Yukon, Oklahoma 73099, (hereinafter referred to as Assignors), are the inventor(s) of an invention entitled LIQUID/VAPOR BYPASS VALVE that is the subject matter of: (check all that apply)

- a provisional application for Letters Patent which is identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 60/450,999 filed on February 28, 2003;
- an application for Letters Patent which is identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Application No. 10/789,291 filed February 27, 2004; and
- □ an international application for Letters Patent filed pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty which is identifiable in the United States Receiving Office by Application No. and filed on ; and

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